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To all camp members

As you are aware, site work to support the construction of surface facilities for the Eagle has commenced on Kennecott's leased property. As construction activities progress in the coming days and weeks at the site, including the area on which the camp is located, Kennecott must ensure the safety of its workers and those camping. As a result and following on our request on Tuesday and again yesterday, Kennecott needs all individuals camping on the site to leave the property this morning, May 27th, and respectfully requests your cooperation in this effort.

Fencing of the construction site's perimeter has been completed, except for an opening along the south boundary. We delayed completing the fence to allow those camping to remain at the current location for as long as possible. Now that construction is progressing near and into the current camp area, it has become necessary for camp members to remove themselves and the camp itself from the construction site.

Safety is Kennecott's utmost priority. Our goal is to maintain an accident-free environment and we are committed to conforming to all safety laws established by state and federal authorities and required permit conditions. This is imperative to ensuring the safety of the public and workers, all of whom we want to return home to their families whole and unhurt.

As we have discussed over the past several weeks and again during our conversation on Tuesday, Kennecott's request that the camp be moved at this time is for the safety of every member of the camp, and to ensure the construction site workplace is maintained in regulatory compliance.

We understand that some members of the group may wish to continue camping in the area in protest of the project or for other purposes, and Kennecott will provide a safe location in the immediate vicinity of the project for this purpose if desired. May we suggest the area just south of the Triple A road, across from the rock outcrop, which is also Kennecott-controlled property. If members of the camp have alternative locations in mind, we are open to discussing them, so long as safety concerns can be addressed.

We also note that in the last few days the group has planted a "community garden" in direct line of the perimeter fence, and understand this to be intended as both a message to Kennecott, and potentially as a source of sustenance for camp members. We take note of the meaning of the garden to camp members. With respect to garden's food-sourcing, Kennecott offers to help create a garden near where the group sets camp off the construction site. Should you wish, Kennecott could prepare a nearby site for this purpose.

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We want you to know that we have heard your message of the past weeks, and we will continue to seek meaningful, reasonable ways to address your concerns. In this regard, we are committed to furthering discussions with members of the camp, as well as to providing reasonable and safe access to the rock.

As you know, Kennecott and KBIC leaders have met and continue to discuss provision for long-term access to the outcrop, and other issues. Kennecott recognizes that what matters to everyone is the compatibility of mining with the U.P. environment and way of life. We believe that by opening lines of communication and working together, we can achieve the proper balance.

In closing, thank you for your commitment to the area, and for expressing the values important to you and others. Chantae Lessard and I also thank you for allowing the opportunity for us to become acquainted, to listen and learn from one another, and to hopefully move forward with growing mutual understanding and respect. And again, thank you for your cooperation today in helping us ensure that you, your families, and our workers remain safe.

As always, you may reach me at 906.486.1257 (office), 906.204.4318 (mobile), or [matt.johnson@riotinto.com](mailto:matt.johnson@riotinto.com), or Chantae at 906.204.4325 (mobile) or [chantae.lessard@riotinto.com](mailto:chantae.lessard@riotinto.com). We welcome the opportunity to visit with you anytime, and invite your comments, questions and concerns in the days ahead.

Sincerely yours,

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